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1. Work on the reconstruction of the railroad bridge near Neurueditz was started last year. The completion date for the bridge is 1 October 1955. It is surprising that no order has been given to reconstruct the section of the railroad line leading to the bridge. [redacted] the completed bridge would initially serve road traffic.¹
2. In March 1954, a road bridge was under construction near Hohenwutzen on Highway No 158. This bridge is also scheduled to be completed by 1 October 1954.²
3. In 18 March, [redacted] the railroad bridge near Muskau is a steel structure resting on masonry piers. The bridge had only one track, on which work was being performed by eight workers.³
4. North of the railroad bridge near Muskau construction work was being done on a road bridge over the Neisse River. The bridge will have about 18 piers. On the Polish side of the river, 6 piers were already connected by steel girders. Eight workers were observed doing construction work on the Polish side. No construction work was noticed on the German side of the bridge.⁴
5. On 5 April, [redacted] the railroad bridge over the Neisse River about 2 km south of Muskau was completed single track.⁵ About 300 meters north of this bridge there was a footbridge about 2.5 meters wide over the Neisse River. A road bridge over the Neisse River exists also in Muskau. This bridge was blocked by a board fence three meters high.⁶ South of Goerlitz on Highway No 99, [redacted] three minor permanent road bridges with a load capacity of 24 tons each.⁷ A steel road bridge was under construction at Kunersdorf north of Goerlitz.⁸
6. In late March, [redacted] all piers of the railroad viaduct in Goerlitz had been completed. Some of the scaffolds had already been removed. The arches between the individual piers had also been completed. Work on the superstructure of the viaduct, which had been started from the east, was still going on. Only three workers were seen on the construction site.⁹
7. In late March, construction work was under way on the road bridge in Muskau. Twenty workers were seen removing debris which was hauled to the eastern bank of the river by means of a conveyor belt. Carpenters were preparing featheredge planks. Three construction sheds were seen on the western bank of the river. A travelling crane was in operation on the construction site.¹⁰

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- 25X1 1. [] Comment. Information on the reconstruction of the Oder bridge near 25X1
Zaeckericker Loose/Neuruednitz was transmitted previously. []
Work on the reconstruction of the bridge was started in May 1953. The bridge will
mainly serve military purposes. The single-track Wriezen-Neuruednitz line leading
to the bridge will also be rebuilt. [] 25X1
- 25X1 2. [] Comment. The reconstruction of this bridge was included in the 1953
bridge construction program. [] 25X1
- 25X1 3. [] Comment. The reconstruction of this single-track bridge over the Neisse
25X1 River was reported previously. [] The bridge, which
was mainly reconstructed for military reasons, has not been opened to traffic.
- 25X1 4. [] Comment. The bridge, which was included in the 1953 bridge construction program,
25X1 is scheduled to be completed in 1954. []
- 25X1 5. [] Comment. [] The bridges involved are between Goerlitz
and Zwickau. (bridges Nos 1 through 3 and possibly also No 7).
- 25X1 6. [] Comment. This bridge is on Highway No 115. The information probably refers to
the replacement of a temporary bridge by a permanent structure over the Weisser
25X1 Schoeps River. (Bridge No 21). The temporary bridge was built from military bridge
equipment in 1951.
- 25X1 7. [] Comment. [] The viaduct was sched-
25X1 uled to be completed in the spring of 1954.

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